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Subject: TERA/ARA Position on Short-Term TCE Vapor Intrusion Exposure Levels

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I expect that OHHRRAF members who have followed issues related to the IRIS assessment for TCE will be interested in the following:

The Alliance for Risk Assessment has issued its recommendation on applying the IRIS assessment for TCE to less-than-lifetime exposures in indoor air (see attached e-mail below). Essentially, ARA identifies an uncertainty range of 3 to 20 ug/m3 within which they contend toxicologists cannot distinguish 'safety' of TCE in air. The controversial animal study which served as a primary basis for the IRIS RfC (in which Johnson et al observed an increased incidence of fetal cardiac malformations) was "used to determine the ceiling of this uncertainty range." The ARA position, therefore, appears to endorse, rather than refute, fetal cardiac malformations as a noncancer endpoint for human populations.

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## Dear Colleagues

Our small working group has completed its work. We highly value the numerous suggestions and comments that many of you were able to make. These comments were useful in more fully

appreciating the difficulties faced by risk managers as they grapple with site-specific issues. We would be more than happy to speak with any of you about how this work might be useful to your situation. We are particularly grateful for the support of Gradient Corporation and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry in their capacity as observers.

## Please see:

http://www.allianceforrisk.org/Projects/ARA\_TCE\_Risk\_Assessment\_Guidance\_for\_Contaminated\_Sites\_2013

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